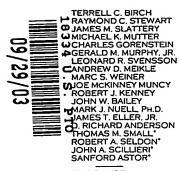
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a non-English patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application Nos. 60/416,883 and 60/447,328 filed on October 9, 2002 and February 14, 2003, respectively. An English translation will follow within the required time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d).

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Enclosed are:

 \boxtimes A specification consisting of forty-four (44) pages

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Applicant does not claim priority

	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-288574 and 2003-30517 filed in Japan on October 1, 2002 and February 7, 2003, respectively. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.								
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